GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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RURAL HOUSING SCHEMES
BHAWANA GAWALI (PATIL);P.R. KHUTE

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have collected information regarding corruption and unnecessary delay in the construction of houses under various Central Rural Housing Schemes during the last two years and the current year;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and Scheme-wise; (

(c) the action taken or proposed to be taken against the erring officials;

(d) the present status of the target fixed during the Ninth Five Year Plan, State-wise;

(e) whether the Government have formulated a comprehensive action plan to meet the target of housing for all during the Tenth Five Year Plan;

(f) if so, the details thereof; and

(g) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUBHASH MAHARIA)

(a) to (g) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement as referred to in Reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 113 due for answer on 26.11.2002

(a) to (c) : The Ministry of Rural Development, which is implementing variousRural Housing Schemes, undertakes Concurrent Evaluation of the Programmesfrom time to time, in addition to such methods of monitoring as Field Studies, the Area Officers` Scheme and Periodic Reports. Apart from this as and when anycase of corruption or irregularity in implementation of Rural Housing Schemes is brought to the notice of the Ministry, the matter is immediately taken up with the concerned State Governments / UT Administrations, for taking appropriate action. The details of the complaints received with regard to irregularities in implementation of rural housing schemes and action taken thereon during the last two years and the current year are at Annexure-I.

(d) Under the Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) & the Credit-cum-Subsidy Scheme(CCSS), the State-wise targets are fixed on the basis of pre-determined criteria. The Schemes of Innovative Stream for Rural Housing and Habitat Development and Rural Building Centre are project based demand driven schemes, hence no targets can be fixed under these schemes. State-wise details of targets fixed and number of houses constructed under the IAY and the CCSS during the Ninth Five Year Plan are at Annexure - II.

(e) to (g) : In order to achieve the goal of providing Housing to All and also to create quality housing in rural areas through technology intervention, an Action Plan was prepared in 1998. During the Tenth Five Year Plan, an amount of Rs.11390 crore has been proposed to implement the Action Plan.

Annexure - I as referred to parts (a) to (c) in reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 113 due for reply on 26.11.2002

Complaints received on irregularities in implementation of the Indira Awaas Yojana

1. Andhra Pradesh

A complaint was received from Smt. Renuka Chaudhury, MP (Lok Sabha),Khammam District of Andhra Pradesh regarding irregularities in the selection of beneficiaries. In the complaint, it has been alleged that in the selection of beneficiaries, Gram Sabha is rarely consulted and the District Collector is mis-using his power to allot the scheme in a partisan manner.

Action Taken : The matter was taken up with the Government of Andhra Pradesh andthey have informed that the IAY houses were sanctioned in Khammam District, to the poorest among poor families like Primitive Tribal Groups i.e. Kondareddies, Koyar ST Lambadas and Fire/Flood victims, Widows Headed families, Physically Handicapped and Ex-servicemen as per the the IAY Guidelines. The selection of beneficiaries was done by Grama Sabha only.

2. Bihar

(a) A complaint was received from Shri Rajo Singh, MP, (Lok Sabha) regardingirregularities in the selection of beneficiaries under IAY in Begusarai and Jamui Districtsof Bihar. In the complaint it had been alleged that the beneficiaries are not selected by Gram Sabha and the documents for the selection are sometimes forged.

(b) Another complaint was received from Shri Nikhil Kumar Choudhary, MP (LS)regarding alleged corruption by Shri Ram Narayan Lala in the implemention of IAY in Katihar District, Bihar

(c) Another complaint was received from Shri Sarad Yadav, the then Minister for Civil Aviation regarding misutilization of funds under IAY and JRY by the officers of Madhepura District of Bihar.

(d) A complaint was received from Dr. Sanjay Paswan, MP (LS) regardingirregularities and corruption in the implementation of the IAY in certain villages of Jahanabad District, Bihar

Action Taken: A Team of Officers of this Ministry led by Shri Satish Chandra, JointSecretary was deputed to inquire into the matter. In his report, it is stated that the total number of villagers present in the Gram Sabha meetings vis-Ã -vis the number ofbeneficiaries selected was very small. The District Authorities, should in future ensure that full publicity is arranged for the Gram Sabha meetings so as to facilitate maximum participation. Accordingly, the matter has been taken up with the State Government forwhich reply is awaited.

(b) Report called for from the Government of Bihar is still awaited.

(c) The complaint was forwarded to the State Government of Bihar. The status report is still awaited.

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3. Orissa

A complaint was received from Shri Sanatan Bisi, Ex-MP, Rajya Sabha thatGovernment of Orissa had decided that the IAY houses would be allotted to the beneficiaries in the 14 cyclone affected districts by lottery.

Action Taken: The complaint was forwarded to the State Government for takingappropriate action in the matter and called for comments on the procedure of selection of beneficiaries adopted by the State Government of Orissa.The State Government`s response is still awaited.

4. Uttar Pradesh

(a) A complaint was received from the villagers of Jola Dindoli, Block Nagal TahsilDeoband District Saharanpur (U.P.) regarding irregularities in identification o f beneficiaries under IAY. It was alleged that no meetings of Gram Sabha were held for identification/selection of beneficiaries under IAY and ineligible people were provided with the funds for construction of houses by Gram Pradhan and State Government Officials.

(b) Another complaint was received from Shri Ram Sajeevan, MP (LS) in which serious allegations of corruption in the implementation of IAY/PMGY- GA andupgradation Scheme in the development Block of Chitrakoot Dham have been allegedagainst Shri Tejvant Singh, Block Development Officer.

(c) A complaint was received from Shri Ramesh Chandra Diwedi, MP (LS) in respectof irregularities in the implementation of IAY out of the funds amounting to Rs. 1 crore released during 1998-1999 to the fire affected families of village Arki in Chitrakut District, Uttar Pradesh

Action Taken : (a) The complaint was forwarded to the State Government for takingappropriate necessary action. The State Government has informed that in selection of the beneficiaries, concerned Gram Panchayat has not maintained criteria of priority and has identified ineligible villagers. Necessary directives to recover the funds given to ineligible people have been given and necessary action has been initiated against the erring Gram Panchayat Pradhan and Gram Panchayat Officer concerned.

(b) The Status Report called from the State Government in this regard is awaited.

(c) The complaint was forwarded to the State Government of Uttar Pradesh whose response is awaited.

Annexure II as referred to in reply to part (d) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 113 due for reply on 26.11.2002

State-wise targets and number of houses constructed during Ninth Five Year Planunder the Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) and Crdit-cum-Subsidy Scheme (CCSS) (In Nos.)

Sl. No.	Name of State UTs	1997-98	1998-99	99-2000	2000-01	2001-02	Indira Awaas Yojana	Credit-cum Subsidy Scheme $

	Target	Achie	Target houses constr-ucted	Achie houses constr-ucted	Target	Achie	Target	Achie	Target	Achie	Target	Achie	No. of	No. of
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	3	4	5	6
1	Andhra Pr	56065	104115	73645	61430	88288	89823	88288	83912	94356	82228	400642	421508	20804	38111
2	Arunachal Pr	459	932	1046	470	5667	3210	4246	4515	4440	4542	15858	13669		
3	Assam	18455	17516	28576	20937	121765	20412	98856	65089	99913	46817	367565	170771	29700	27
4	Bihar	109982	103506	171378	125082	308784	165892	238664	161199	256310	167979	1085118	723658	63828	437
5	Chattisgarh @				16364	17777	16135	22996	32499	40773	2037	842			
6	Goa	548	512	130	482	544	333	544	368	610	317	2376	2012	131	NR
7	Gujarat	20581	24439	19692	21820	25944	26351	25944	28192	27117	27497	119278	128299	6073	NR
8	Haryana	4943	4505	10690	10043	9368	9843	9368	13309	9169	9814	43538	47514	2154	712
9	Himachal Pr	1572	1843	4879	3874	3870	3711	3870	3716	4056	3852	18247	16996	948	429
10	J & Kashmir	3197	6172	7699	5400	4644	5830	4644	4082	4852	7632	25036	29116	1137	NR
11	Jharkhand @				70120	56233	75306	50136	145426	106369	9035	13			
12	Karnataka	37653	43522	39505	37369	47184	39398	47184	42675	48807	43824	220333	206788	11012	1837
13	Kerala	12454	12834	17726	9452	28416	20716	28416	19092	30245	21372	117257	83466	6689	518
14	Madhya Pr	71054	101549	103652	102901	73464	77886	57100	61773	56307	64962	361577	409071	14878	3414
15	Maharashtra	61123	60709	78092	54532	84680	71958	84680	81111	86598	88773	395173	357083	19700	315
16	Manipur	590	1096	1911	1125	5208	199	5062	552	5294	1538	18065	4510	762	NR
17	Meghalaya	688	316	2409	734	7944	356	6726	4368	7034	3953	24801	9727		
18	Mizoram	288	302	472	519	1954	1795	1615	2290	1689	1275	6018	6181		
19	Nagaland	734	1933	2050	2290	4907	7706	4342	4906	4541	4473	16574	21308		
20	Orissa	45486	50023	67684	50671	73232	53328	73232	139561	75960	169488	335594	463071	17105	29458
21	Punjab	3517	3235	5630	3831	5960	4154	5960	6606	6074	5317	27141	23143	1384	186
22	Rajasthan	29524	34858	35599	32955	25864	37440	25864	41766	25586	30471	142437	177490	5961	892
23	Sikkim	269	590	784	543	917	752	1164	1539	1217	1754	4351	5178		
24	Tamil Nadu	50689	55830	46258	68207	46768	54935	46768	49914	47383	43540	237866	272426	10850	7790
25	Tripura	766	1665	4519	3235	10769	11229	9821	11640	10271	10382	36146	38151	2774	NR
26	Uttar Pr	136645	94535	188051	181274	187629	155248	170781	159680	172761	171944	855867	762681	41488	NR
27	Uttaranchal @				16848	13775	17944	11245	34792	25020	2231	587			
28	West Bengal	50249	43931	74594	36246	96127	62653	96127	90783	101835	71553	418932	305166	22656	NR
29	A&N Islands	236	6	202	12	727	6	727	52	861	858	2753	934		
30	D&N Haveli	127	100	309	6	414	52	414	0	452	202	1716	360		
31	Daman & Diu	75	38	14	0	162	3	162	1	187	66	600	108		
32	Lakshadweep	121	110	17	40	17	34	17	22	15	15	187	221		
33	Pondicherry	236	214	257	290	402	426	402	428	427	266	1724	1624		
TOTAL		718326	770936	987470	835770	1271619	925679	1244320	1170926	1293753	1171081	5515488	4874392	293337	85568

@ - States created during 2000-2001
$ - Crdit-cum-Subsidy Scheme started in 1999-2000 and implemented in 23 States only.
NR - Not Reported